

NEBRASKA STATE NEWS

SUGAR BEET BOUNTIES.

Judge Cornish Declares that They Are Unconstitutional.

LINCOLN—Sugar beet bounties are unconstitutional. So declared Judge Cornish in the district court, and he sustained the demurrer of the attorney general, who argued that the suits of the Oxnard Sugar company and the Norfolk Sugar company ought to be dismissed. The two concerns asked for more than \$50,000.

The claims of the companies have been before successive legislatures and permission was given at the last session for the sugar manufacturers to sue the state and establish the validity of their claims.

The companies claim that the state promised a bounty of 1 cent a pound in 1885. Between the years of 1889 and 1890, the companies claim, \$1,000,000 was invested, with the understanding that bounties would be paid. The act was repealed in 1889, but the companies claim that three-quarters of a cent was voted to foreign companies in 1895. After the bills were audited the attorneys for the companies state that the officials refused to pay, asserting that the state lacked funds. They argue that legislatures have endorsed the claims and the last one directed that suit be brought.

Attorney General Prout argued that sugar beet raising was not a public undertaking and that the legislature had no right to appropriate public money for such a purpose. The court upheld his contention. The case may be appealed.

SECURES AN ANCIENT RELIC.

Morton History Gets Picture of the First Nebraska Mission.

LINCOLN—C. S. Paine, manager of the Morton History of Nebraska, has secured a picture of the old Bellevue mission, the first mission established in Nebraska for the conversion of the Indians. The picture is in water colors and was secured from Mrs. J. T. Allan of Omaha. Mr. Allan had come west about 1848 to seek his fortune, and had this picture painted to send back to his sweetheart in the east in order to give her an idea of her future home.

The old mission was located in almost the very spot where Bellevue college now stands. It was built for the purpose of dealing with the Omaha and Otoe Indians, and was the center of civilization and trade until Omaha was founded in 1854. It was built of hewn cottonwood logs faced on the outside and inside and was two stories high. Later the mission was converted into a hotel, and as the "Bellevue house" was used for that purpose for many years.

Official Harvest Opening.

LINCOLN—Don C. Despain, president of the Western Association of Free Employment bureaus, says that the yield of wheat in the southern counties of Nebraska will be exceedingly heavy. The wheat harvest will begin July 7.

Sale of Land Ordered.

The sale of several thousand acres of valuable hay and grazing land in McPherson county, owned by the Valley Land and Cattle company, was ordered by Judge Munger in federal court at Omaha.

Sarpy County Farmer Robbed.

PAPILLION—Thieves stole a team of mules and a buggy from the barn of L. Heacock, between Springfield and Gretna, in Sarpy county. The property at this writing has not been recovered.

STATE IN BRIEF.

Cattlemen in Scot's Bluff county report the range in better condition now that it has been for several years. The ranchmen have all dipped their cattle and they are in fine condition.

Fred Koyen of Dodge county was given judgment for \$60 against the Union Pacific Railroad company in his suit for damages for hay destroyed by fire which started from an engine.

At Columbus the jury in the case of the state against James Kelley, charged with the murder of Arthur Snowden, returned a verdict finding Kelley guilty of murder in the second degree.

Secretary Adna Dobson of the state board of irrigation has been notified that the association of state engineers, which met at Salt Lake City recently, has adjourned to meet at Boise City, Idaho, September 15.

T. B. Nolan, a baker who has been employed by D. C. Chamberlain & Co., is wanted in Beatrice for raising a check from \$3.15 to \$13.15. The check was drawn in his favor for \$3.15 and signed by Mr. Chamberlain.

H. R. Hines, upon whom a crowd of Papillion people waited and ordered to leave town or run the risk of being tarred and feathered and run out of town, and who promised to comply with the demand, kept his word.

The Germantown State bank has filed articles of incorporation with the state banking board. The incorporators are J. W. Dalley, N. E. Dalley and E. R. Gurney. Mr. Gurney is vice president of the First National bank of Fremont. The capital stock is \$7,500.

Secretary Royle of the state banking board will issue a call for reports of the financial condition of the building and loan associations of the state for June 30, according to law. During the last year there have been four new associations started up at North Loup, Tecumseh, Humboldt and Beatrice.

Jacob Both, a laborer, was arrested at Lincoln and is in the county jail charged with attempting to wreck the Denver Flyer on the Burlington. The attempt was made near the town of Denton. The section foreman discovered a rail laying crosswise of the track and wired down. He tore the obstruction loose and barely had time to remove it before the train came by.

The case of E. M. Atterberry vs. the directors of the defunct Chamberlain banking house at Tecumseh was tried before a jury in the county court. Mr. Atterberry endeavored to hold the directors for the \$900 he lost as a depositor in the failed bank. Many witnesses were examined. The jury found for the defendants, releasing them from obligation as such officers.

The eighteenth annual meeting of the Richardson County Farmers' Mutual Insurance company was held at Verdon last week. The secretary's report shows over \$200,000 new insurance written last year. Amount in force nearly \$1,500,000. Losses paid last year, \$1,088.58. All claims of the company are paid, with a balance of \$1,563.99 on hand. The old officers were re-elected.

At a recent convention of the rural mail carriers of Cass county, George R. Sayles of Plattsmouth, president of the association, was elected as a delegate to the state convention of rural carriers, which is to be held at Lincoln on July 4. Subjects of interest to all rural carriers were discussed—the new law increasing the pay of the carriers and cutting out the carrying business receiving the most attention.

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